

## Newsletter 4 - Friday 13th October 2023

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As ever the last 7 weeks have flown by and the half term holiday is upon us. It has been wonderful to watch all of the children settle into their new year groups since September. Year 3 have grown in confidence and are now fully integrated in to life at New Haw.

Year 4 and Year 3 enjoyed their school to Wisley and Butser Farm this week. There will be more enrichment activities coming next half term with the Space Dome, trip to the Living Rainforest and WW2 trip. We hope you all have a restful half term and look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 30th October.

## Courtesy to our neighbours

We have received a number of complaints from our neighbours on both The Avenue and Manor Drive about parents parking inconsiderately at both drop off and pick up. We would remind parents to not park over residents' drives or block the road.

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## Children in Need - Friday 17th November

We are delighted to be taking part in Children in Need day 2023. Recently the school council met to decide how best to support children in need this year. We decided to support the theme this year which is SPOTacular. Children are invited to wear their own clothes and look SPOTacular! Everyone is encouraged to make a small donation via SCOPAY for children in need.

We will also be taking part in Run Pudsey 2023 which is a fun way to get children moving and raising money for Children in Need. More details to follow!

Chloe & Tilda (School Council)

## Winter uniform

Reminder that after half term we switch to winter uniform. As the British weather can be so changeable, please could all parents make sure that children bring a coat to school.

## Poppy Sale

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We will commence selling our Poppy Appeal merchandise after half term, week commencing 30th October. Prices start from 50p up to £2.50 and will be sold in the playground from this date.

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## Food Inspection 5\*\*\*\*\*

We are delighted to report that our school kitchen has recently been awarded a 5\* rating from the Food Standards Agency.

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## Christmas Fayre - Thursday 30th November 2023 4:30pm - 6:30pm

We are very excited about our annual Christmas Fayre. This event raises much needed funds for the school so your support with helping organise the event, run stalls or provide raffle and tombola prizes is really appreciated. We will be having a mufti day on Friday 24th November and children are invited to wear clothes of their choice and are asked in return to donate items for the Christmas Fayre to support their year group. See the list below. If you have any donations you could offer the raffle we would be very grateful.

## Years 3 and 4 = chocolate tombola donations (please ensure these are in date) Years 5 and 6 = Bottle tombola (alcohol and soft drinks only)

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### Fruity Fortnight

The Eco Warriors have made an important announcement for next half term! From Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November, the Eco Warriors will be running a 'Fruity Fortnight' competition.

<u>What is it?</u> Over the first 2 weeks back after half term, the Eco Warriors will be tracking how many 'pickable' items of fruit or veg the class can bring in for their healthy snack at play time. The winning class will be announced in the newsletter and win a delicious basket of fruit of their choice.

Why 'pickable'? It's healthy – one of their 5 (or 8!) a day and full of vitamins, it's affordable, it's compostable – we want to make our own compost to grow our own vegetables! Less plastic.

See our Fruity Fortnight video:

https://youtu.be/\_LLDnFT\_GCM

#### Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to the following children who will be awarded a Headteacher Award for progress, improvement or academic excellence. These awards are made at the end of each half term and can be awarded for improvements in behaviour/attitude or for academic excellence. Certificates will be handed to children after half term.

3Q	3V	3G	<b>4</b> A	4R	4D
Chloe Bidder	Emma Adler	Evelyn Lujibregts	Liyana Ali	Ciaran Morley	Ben Beagley
Charlie Scott	Henry Price	Zayan Riaz	Poppy Gooch	Martha Murphy	Neriah Frimpong
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5S	5J	5C	6S	6G	6M
Jack O Connor	5J Reilly Dunne	5C Lana Awad	6S Toby Lane	6G Gabriel Feehan-Bell	6M Isabelle Clark

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#### Anti-Bullying Week



Anti-Bullying Week is from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November this year and along with the Anti-bullying Alliance, we will be marking this event at school. The theme this year is, 'Make a Noise about Bullying' with a focus on when banter can turn in to bullying. The children will have an assembly about it at school and have daily opportunities to work in their classes about this important topic.

#### How can you help?

The Anti-bullying alliance says, 'As a parent or carer, you are a vital piece of the puzzle in tackling bullying. You have a unique role to play in guiding and supporting your child through their school years and there are many positive steps you can take to help keep your child safe from bullying and harm. One of the steps is knowing when to ask for support.' There is a <u>parent pack</u> available to download from their website for more information and resources that you could use at home to support further.

Do also ask your children about the activities and scenarios they have carried out over this week in November.

## Parents in Partnership

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Thank you so much to everyone who has stepped forward and volunteered to be a class PIP. We are still looking for a representative or 2 for 5J, 6G and 6M. If you feel this is something you could do please get in touch with Gail Gentile in the school office.

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#### Y6 Secondary school applications

✓Parents and guardians, please ensure you have submitted your Y6 child's secondary school application online no later than Tuesday 31st October 2023 - www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions

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# New Haw library - reading challenge award ceremony

At New Haw Library there will be a ceremony on Saturday 21st October at 11am, where the Mayor will award certificates to everyone who did the challenge at New Haw Library. The children who completed the challenge should have received an invitation.



□ PTA request - if you have any good quality, second hand books that you no longer want, we would love to receive them by the uniform donation bin for re-sale at future pre-loved uniform sales.

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## School Diary

Friday 20th October	PTA pre-loved second hand uniform sale in playground after school
23rd - 27th October	Half term - school closed
Monday 30th October	School resumes
Tuesday 31st October	Y6 secondary school places deadline for application www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions
Thursday 2nd November	Nasal Flu immunisation - all years
Tuesday 7th November	Y5 Space Dome
	Y6 Lincolnsfield WW2 trip
w/c 13th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Wednesday 15th November	PTA Bag2School collection
Thursday 16th November	Y5 Living Rainforest trip
Friday 17th November	Children in Need mufti. * Donation via SCOPAY
Friday 24th November	Mufti day in return for Xmas Fayre donations Yrs 3 & 4 chocolate tombola donations Yrs 5 & 6 bottle donations (alcohol & soft drinks only)
Thursday 30th November	Christmas Fayre 4:30pm - 6:30pm - SAVE THE DATE!
Friday 1st December	INSET DAY - school closed
Wednesday 13th December	Christmas lunch
	Christmas jumper day *School uniform with optional Christmas jumper or Christmas headwear, hat, reindeer horns etc.
Thursday 14th December	Year 4 Christmas assembly 09:30am
Friday 15th December	Year 4 Christmas assembly 09:30am
	End of term - school finishes at 1:30pm
Tuesday 2nd January	School resumes







ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR A BURSARY AT ACS EGHAM?

We welcome bursary applications from students within our local community who would benefit from our International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum, fiverse community and inspirational environment.	Please contact us to exp eligible.
We offer means-tested bursaries at ACS Egham with fee reductions for up o 100 percent.	Email - eghamadmission Website - acs-schools.o
or entry at ages 11+, 13+ and 16+ (UK Year groups 7, 9 and 12).	Applications close 17th